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This Week in Wabash



Hello, Wabash,

Happy Monday, everyone. I hope your week is off to a great start. Those were some storms this weekend, huh? Looking out my front window I see some roofing tiles and a doormat from some nearby residences in my front lawn. I hope everyone out there stayed safe during the wild weather. It looks quite sunny today, so even though it's still a bit cold, I always feel like that helps.

I hope you had a chance to [read the story in the Wednesday, Dec. 8 newspaper](#) which included my interview with Indiana Secretary of State Holli Sullivan. She visited Wabash to drop by the Wabash County Clerk's Office. Afterward, she and her staff visited the Plain Dealer's office for a sit-down interview before leaving town. We had a really interesting interview that covered several topics from election security, increasing voter confidence and her election campaign. It seems to be quite popular on our website, so hopefully, readers are finding it as enlightening as I did.

Also, as I discussed here previously, I had another special experience on Thursday, Dec. 9. I traveled to the Statehouse in Indianapolis to conduct a 15-minute one-on-one in-person end-of-the-year interview with Gov. Eric Holcomb.



Since the pandemic hit Indiana in March 2020 I have participated virtually in dozens and dozens of televised press conferences with Gov. Holcomb and other state officials, but this was the first time I had the opportunity to do so in person. I took photos and will be writing a story for the Wednesday, Dec. 15 newspaper, so you'll get to find out what we talked about soon.

I appreciate Gov. Holcomb's willingness to be so open to the press during these unprecedented times. For this one-on-one interview and all the virtual press conferences before it, his staff has always been willing to provide access to

journalists working for news organizations large and small from every part of the state. They've never pre-screened my questions and I've been able to ask about any subject I can think of and receive an immediate answer. I look forward to seeing this level of transparency continue from the governor's office, even when there isn't a global pandemic.

Anyway, that's all I have for you this week. I hope you have a great rest of your week.

Best,
Rob

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